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HURRICANE WILMA SITUATION REPORT

Pre-Storm Situation Report 03

Created (Date/Time): Thursday, October 20, 2005 @ noon

EOC Activation Level: 3-Monitoring

The Hurricane Information Line is activated today from 9 a.m.-9 p.m.

The number is (772) 462-2766.

This number should be used for all SPECIAL NEEDS questions.

Residents should NOT call 911, except for emergencies.

Friday Information Line hours: 8 a.m.-10 p.m.;

Saturday Information Line hours: 8 a.m.-10 p.m.;

Sunday Information Line hours: 6 a.m. until further notice.

CURRENT SITUATION:

Based on the overnight Hurricane Wilma forecast, several adjustments to the County Actions have been made. Additionally, all notifications and advisories are subject to change based on future forecasts.

The St. Lucie County Emergency Operations Center is continuing to monitor this storm. St. Lucie County EOC is participating in state sponsored conference calls in conjunction with the National Hurricane Center. We will continue to monitor the storm track and will advise as additional information is provided with the National Weather Service. St. Lucie County is advising that citizens' storm preparations should be underway at this time. For more information on Hurricane Preparedness, visit www.stlucieco.gov/eoc.

COUNTY ACTIONS:

St. Lucie County Government:

St. Lucie County Emergency Operations Center will be at full activation Sunday, Oct. 23, 2005 at 8 a.m. The EOC will be at partial activation Saturday, Oct. 22 at 8 am until 10 p.m.

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- The following St. Lucie County Government offices will be **OPEN** all day Friday, Oct. 21:
 Board of County Commissioners, Tax Collector's office and Sheriff's administration office. No decision has been made regarding the closing of the offices on Monday. That decision will be made at a later time.
- No closing decisions have been made regarding the Property Appraiser's office or the Clerk of Courts offices at this time.
- St. Lucie County Solid Waste Baling & Recycling Facility will have normal business hours on Saturday, Oct. 22 from 7:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
- The St. Lucie County Planning and Zoning Commission meeting scheduled for tonight, Thursday, Oct. 20, will take place as scheduled.
- The St. Lucie County Special Board of County Commission meeting (scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 25) regarding the FP&L coal plant has been rescheduled to Monday, Nov. 7 at 6 p.m.

Schools:

- All St. Lucie County Public Schools will be in session (OPEN) on Friday, Oct. 21 (full day).
- All St. Lucie County Public Schools will be CLOSED Monday, Oct. 24.
- A decision on whether schools will be open or closed on Tuesday, Oct. 25 will be made at a later time.
- St. Anastasia Catholic School and John Carroll High School will be open full day on Friday, Oct. 21 and closed on Monday, Oct. 24.

Fort Pierce:

Fort Pierce Utilities Authority (FPUA) Director Bud Boudreaux has announced that all normal FPUA operations, including the lobby, will be closed effective at noon on Friday, Oct. 21.

History:

- □ The St. Lucie County Supervisor of Elections office will be closed Thursday, Oct. 20 until further notice.
- □ Port St. Lucie City Hall will be closed at noon, Friday, Oct. 21 until further notice.
- Beaches will be closed beginning Friday, Oct. 21 until further notice. (No lifeguards).
- □ St. Lucie County Department Directors have begun early storm preparations per the County's Hurricane Manual.